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(37 CFR 1.63)**

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Attorney Docket Number	010949
First Named Inventor	Weller et al.
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Application Number	Unassigned
Filing Date	Herewith
Group Art Unit	
Examiner Name	

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIA HAVING SELF ORGANIZED MAGNETIC ARRAYS

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

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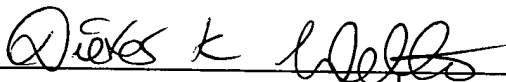
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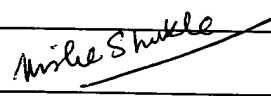
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In re application of : PATENT APPLICATION
DIETER K. WELLER ET AL. : MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIA
HAVING SELF ORGANIZED MAGNETIC
Serial No.: unassigned : ARRAYS
Filed: herewith :

POWER OF ATTORNEY

We, Seagate Technology LLC, a Delaware corporation, as assignee of the above-identified application, hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application: Lynn J. Alstadt, Registration No. 29,362; Jose J. Aparicio, Registration No. P-48,837; George Patrick Baier, Registration No. 26,717; Dennis M. Carleton, Registration No. 40,938; Craig G. Cochenour, Registration No. 33,666; Michael L. Dever, Registration No. 32,216; John E. Grosselin, III, Registration No. 38,478; Bryan H. Opalko, Registration No. 40,751; Michael G. Panian, Registration No. 32,623; and Carla J. Vrsansky, Registration No. 36,958 of the firm of Buchanan Ingersoll Professional Corporation.

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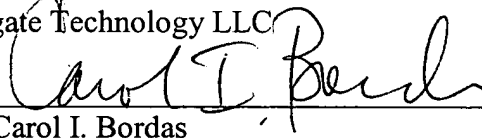
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)Applicant/Patent Owner: Dieter K. Weller et al.Application No./Patent No.: unassigned Filed/Issue Date: herewithEntitled: MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIA HAVING SELF ORGANIZED MAGNETIC ARRAYSSeagate Technology LLC, a Delaware corporation

(Name of Assignee)

(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

states that it is:

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2. ☐ an assignee of less than the entire right, title and interest.
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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

11-13-01
Date

Carol I. Bordas
Typed or printed name
Carol I. Bordas
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IP Division Counsel
Title

Assignment

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WHEREAS, We, and Nisha Shukla
residing at Gibsonia, Allegheny Co., PA; Alamo, Contra Costa County, CA;
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for which we executed an application for United States Letters Patent, ARRAYS

AND WHEREAS Seagate Technology LLC

hereinafter called the "assignee," is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to said application and the inventions and improvements therein disclosed;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration paid to us by said assignee, receipt whereof we hereby acknowledge, we do hereby assign, sell, transfer, and set over unto said assignee the entire right, title, and interest in and to said application and the inventions and improvements therein disclosed for the United States and all foreign countries and any Letters Patent which may issue therefor in the United States and all foreign countries and all divisions, reissues, continuations, renewals, and/or extensions thereof, including all priority rights under the International Convention associated therewith for each country and the Union, said assignee to have and to hold the interests herein assigned to the full ends of the terms of said Letters Patent and any and all divisions, reissues, continuations, renewals, and/or extensions thereof, respectively, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us had this assignment not been made.

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is requested to issue such Letters Patent in accordance herewith. We covenant that we are the lawful owners of the said application, inventions, and improvements, that the same are unencumbered, that no license has been granted to make, use, or vend the said inventions or improvements or any of them, and that we have the full right to make this assignment.

And for the consideration aforesaid, we agree jointly and individually that we will communicate to said assignee or the representatives thereof any facts known to us respecting said inventions and improvements, and will, upon request, but without expense to us, testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, reissue, continuation, renewal, and/or extension applications, make all rightful oaths, and generally do all other and further lawful acts, deemed necessary or expedient by said assignee or by counsel for said assignee, to assist or enable said assignee to obtain and enforce full benefits from the rights and interests herein assigned. This assignment shall be binding upon our heirs, executors, administrators, and/or assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and/or assigns, as the case may be, of said assignee.

EXECUTED _____, 20__

Dieter K. Weller (SEAL)
Dieter K. Weller

_____, (SEAL)
Neil Deeman

Rene Johannes Marinus van de Veerdonk (Seal)
Rene Johannes Marinus van de Veerdonk

Nisha Shukla (Seal)
Nisha Shukla

State of Pennsylvania
County of Allegheny } ss:

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the said County and State, personally appeared:
Dieter K. Weller

wh acknowledged that they are the persons who executed the foregoing assignment and acknowledged it to be their free and voluntary act and deed.

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Notary Public

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Pittsburgh, Allegheny County
My Commission Expires Apr. 12, 2004
Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries

State of California

County of Contra Costa

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